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PREFACE.

THE want of a Formulary of Family Devotion, adapted for general use amongst the members of the Church of England in this Diocese, has long been felt, and has frequently been a subject of anxious discussion by the Clergy at their official meetings. The Bishop of the Diocese, on being referred to upon this subject, has uniformly expressed it as his opinion, that such a compilation, if made at all, should be framed as exactly as possible after the model of our excellent Liturgy; for in nothing else, his Lordship conceived, should we have unity of design, or a collection of Prayers which would meet the approbation of all.

The author of the following compilation, in being urged at various times to act upon this suggestion of his Diocesan, came very naturally to the conclusion, that the most effectual as well as simple method of carrying out this view, was to adopt the system and order of the Prayer Book itself, with all the exactness which the time that could be allotted to Household Worship would allow.

"Our Reformers," says a venerable dignitary of the Church,* "were clearly of opinion, and I believe that no one has ever tried the experiment without

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witnessing to its success, that the constant reiteration of the same prayers, if men combine with one heart and one voice in giving them meaning and utterance, infuses rather a relish than a distaste for their use."

Connected with these observations, we may affirm that this habitual and steady training to the use of our admirable Liturgy in the household, must conduce to its more faithful and profitable employment in the sanctuary; while, from its being thus constantly in the hands, and we will hope in the hearts, of both young and old of our communion, there will be fostered that regard for soundness of doctrine, and that reverence for soberness and order which characterizes our Ritual, and is a distinguishing feature in the framework of the Church. There is, too, a comfort and satisfaction in the thought that all, however separated and distant, in using the same form of devotion, will be addressing their petitions to Almighty God, as it were, with one voice; a circumstance which must, with his blessing, conduce to the realization of that unity of spirit which is so constantly a subject of our prayers and hopes.

It is but right to state that the present compilation was duly submitted to the examination of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and that it has received the benefit of many suggestions and improvements from his Lordship, as well as from several of the Clergy by whom, at his desire, it was carefully reviewed.

While this compilation is more particularly designed for the purposes of Family Devotion, it will be perceived that it is equally appropriate for Sunday

Schools, and it might also be used with advantage in the visitation of Hospitals and Gaols, where time might not be allowed for the use of the full Morning or Evening Prayer. In the Appendix at the conclusion of the volume, special prayers will be found adapted to such occasional services.

This Manual of Family Worship has been rendered as short as it was practicable to make it, consistently with the plan in view, and it is estimated that it will not occupy more than from ten to fifteen minutes on any one occasion. The work has also been contracted within the narrowest possible space, on grounds of economy; so that, from the smallness of the expense, each member of a family may be furnished with a copy.

The author of this compilation, in committing this little work to the members of the Church of England in this Diocese, does so with every confidence that it will be favourably received and widely used; because it embodies the most approved form of Devotions,—those furnished by the Prayer Book itself,—which could possibly be supplied; and in this hope and belief, the Divine blessing is earnestly implored on its behalf.

FAMILY LITURGY.

The Head of the Family, (or Clergyman, if one be present) will commence by reading the following Sentences.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Then shall be said the General Confession, (all kneeling) each person present repeating the several petitions after the Head of the Family, or Minister.

LET US PRAY.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done: And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu

our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Then shall follow this prayer:

O Lord, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those that confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The family to answer here, and at the end of all other prayers, Amen.

Then shall follow the Lord's Prayer, each petition being repeated by all present, as in the General Confession.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall be said,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Then, all rising from their knees, shall be said,

Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's name be praised.

Then shall follow the Psalm, or Psalms, for the day, (see Selection) the verses to be read alternately by the Head of the Family, and the other persons present; each Psalm to be concluded with Gloria Patri.

Then may be read a chapter, or portion of a chapter, by the Head of the Family, or Minister; from the Old Testament at Morning Prayer, and from the New Testament at Evening Prayer: it being recommended that the Scriptures should be regularly gone through with.

N. B.—*The Psalms and portion of the Scripture may be omitted on Sundays, in cases where the Family have the means of attending Church: if they be so circumstanced that they cannot do so, it is recommended that the full Morning and Evening Prayer, according to the Prayer Book, be used on Sundays.*

After this, all standing up, the Head of the Family, or Minister, shall say the Apostles' Creed,—all present joining with him:

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into Hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Then, all kneeling, the Head of the Family, or Minister, shall say,

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be said the Collect for the day, (see Collects) to be followed by

THE COLLECT FOR GRACE.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and ever-lasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At Evening Prayer, instead of the Collect for Grace, the following are to be used:

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

On Wednesdays and Fridays, shall be introduced here, at Morning Prayer, the following Petitions from the Litany.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant VICTORIA, our most gracious Queen and Governour;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve *Adelaide*, the Queen-Dowager, the Prince *Albert*, *Albert*, Prince of Wales, and all the Royal Family;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

Answer. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Then shall be said, except when the Petitions from the Litany are used, the

PRAYER FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF MEN.

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially, we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians, may

be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

Then shall follow, the

GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Any Special Prayers,—provided at the end of this compilation,—should be used before the Prayer for all sorts and conditions of men, or at the conclusion of the Litany, when that is used; and any Special Thanksgiving, before the General Thanksgiving.

THE COLLECTS.

The First Sunday in Advent.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

The Second Sunday in Advent.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Third Sunday in Advent.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Fourth Sunday in Advent.

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Christmas Day.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Saint Stephen's Day.—Dec. 26.

GRANT, O Lord, that, in all our sufferings here upon earth for the testimony of thy truth, we may stedfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Saint John the Evangelist's Day.—Dec. 27.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John, may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Innocents' Day.—Dec. 28.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sunday after Christmas Day.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Circumcision of Christ.—Jan. 1.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.—Jan. 6.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully

grant that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Sunday after the Epiphany.

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after the Epiphany.

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after the Epiphany.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace, may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—*Amen.*

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech thee, that having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Septuagesima, or the third Sunday before Lent.

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sexagesima, or the second Sunday before Lent.

O Lord God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Quinquagesima, or the next Sunday before Lent.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth; Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee; Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Ash-Wednesday.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Sunday in Lent.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Second Sunday in Lent.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which

may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday in Lent.

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday in Lent.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday in Lent.

We beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sunday before Easter.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, has sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility; Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his

resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Good Friday.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Easter Even.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Day.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; we humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us, thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

First Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth, through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an

ensample of godly life; Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after Easter.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after Easter.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after Easter.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us, thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guidance may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Ascension Day.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Sunday after Ascension Day.

O GOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Whit-Sunday.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Trinity Sunday.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal

Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

First Sunday after Trinity.

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Second Sunday after Trinity.

O Lord, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Third Sunday after Trinity.

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou

being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love towards thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things; Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and to do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity; mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire, or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord.—*Amen.*

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord.—*Amen.*

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be

given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us: that we being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—*Amen.*

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and

devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Andrew's Day.—Nov. 30.

Almighty God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay; Grant unto us all that we, being called by thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Thomas the Apostle.—Dec. 21.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

The Conversion of Saint Paul.—Jan. 25.

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called, The Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.—Feb. 2.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Matthias's Day.—Feb. 24.

O Almighty God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that thy Church, being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary.—March 25.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Mark's Day.—April 25.

O Almighty God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy Holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—*Amen.*

Saint Philip and Saint James's Day.—May 1.

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Barnabas the Apostle.—June 11.

O Lord God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint John Baptist's Day.—June 24.

Almighty God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Peter's Day.—June 29.

O Almighty God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock; Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint James the Apostle.—July 25.

Grant, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy

Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Bartholomew the Apostle.—August 24.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word; Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Matthew the Apostle.—Sept. 21.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Saint Michael and all Angels.—Sept. 29.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Luke the Evangelist.—Oct. 18.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul; May it please thee, that,

by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Saint Simon and Saint Jude.—Oct. 28.

O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All Saints' Day.—Nov. 1.

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SELECTIONS FROM

THE PSALMS.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 1.

Psalm 3.

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me: many are they that rise against me.

2. Many one there be that say of my soul: There is no help for him in his God.

3. But thou, O Lord, art my defender: thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.

4. I did call upon the Lord with my voice: and he heard me out of his holy hill.

5. I laid me down and slept, and rose up again: for the Lord sustained me.

6. I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people: that have set themselves against me round about.

7. Up, Lord, and help me, O my God: for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

8. Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: and thy blessing is upon thy people.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 8.

O LORD our Governour, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

2. Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

3. For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained.

4. What is man that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5. Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.

6. Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

7. All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;

8. The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9. O Lord our Governour: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 2.

Psalm 11.

IN the Lord put I my trust: how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

2. For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver: that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

3. For the foundations will be cast down: and what hath the righteous done?

4. The Lord is in his holy temple: the Lord's seat is in heaven.

5. His eyes consider the poor: and his eye-lids try the children of men.

6. The Lord alloweth the righteous; but the ungodly and him that delighteth in wickedness, doth his soul abhor.

7. Upon the ungodly he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest: this shall be their portion to drink.

8. For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness: his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 13.

How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever: how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2. How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart; how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

3. Consider and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death;

4. Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him: for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

5. But my trust is in thy mercy: and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

6. I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me: yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 3.

Psalm 16.

PRESERVE me, O God: for in thee have I put my trust.

2. O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord: Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.

3. All my delight is upon the saints that are in the earth: and upon such as excel in virtue.

4. But they that run after another god: shall have great trouble.

5. Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer: neither make mention of their names within my lips.

6. The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup: thou shalt maintain my lot.

7. The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage.

8. I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: my reins also chasten me in the night-season.

9. I have set God always before me: for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

10. Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

11. For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell: neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

12. Thou shalt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 18, *to v.* 7.

I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence: my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust; my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

2. I will call upon the Lord, which is worthy to be praised: so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

3. The sorrows of death compassed me: and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

4. The pains of hell came about me: the snares of death overtook me.

5. In my trouble I will call upon the Lord: and complain unto my God.

6. So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple: and my complaint shall come before him, it shall enter even into his ears.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 4.

Psalm 19.

THE heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.

2. One day telleth another: and one night certifieth another.

3. There is neither speech nor language: but their voices are heard among them.

4. Their sound is gone out into all lands; and their words into the ends of the world.

5. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

6. It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7. The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8. The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9. The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever: the judgments of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

11. Moreover, by them is thy servant taught: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12. Who can tell how oft he offendeth: O cleanse thou me from my secret faults!

13. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me: so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

14. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart: be alway acceptable in thy sight,

15. O Lord: my strength, and my redeemer.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 23.

THE Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

2. He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3. He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6. But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 5.

Psalm 24.

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is; the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2. For he hath founded it upon the seas: and prepared it upon the floods.

3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord; or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4. Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart, and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6. This is the generation of them that seek him: even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

8. Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord, strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.

10. Who is the King of glory: even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 27.

THE Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear: the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

2. When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes came upon me to eat up my flesh: they stumbled and fell.

3. Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid: and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4. One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house

of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5. For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle: yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6. And now shall he lift up mine head: above mine enemies round about me.

7. Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness: I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

8. Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee: have mercy upon me, and hear me.

9. My heart hath talked of thee; seek ye my face: Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

10. O hide not thou thy face from me: nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

11. Thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

12. When my father and my mother forsake me: the Lord taketh me up.

13. Teach me thy way, O Lord: and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14. Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries: for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.

15. I should utterly have fainted: but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

16. O tarry thou the Lord's leisure: be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 6.

Psalm 30.

I WILL magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me.

2. O Lord my God, I cried unto thee: and thou hast healed me.

3. Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell, thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit.

4. Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his: and give thanks unto him for a remembrance of his holiness.

5. For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his pleasure is life: heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

6. And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be removed: thou, Lord, of thy goodness hast made my hill so strong.

7. Thou didst turn thy face from me and I was troubled.

8. Then cried I unto thee, O Lord: and gat me to my Lord right humbly.

9. What profit is there in my blood: when I go down to the pit?

10. Shall the dust give thanks unto thee: or shall it declare thy truth?

11. Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me: Lord, be thou my helper.

12. Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness.

13. Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise without ceasing: O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 32.

BLESSED is he, whose unrighteousness is forgiven: and whose sin is covered.

2. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin: and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3. For while I held my tongue: my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

4. For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night: and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

5. I will acknowledge my sin unto thee: and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

6. I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord: and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

7. For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found: but in the great water floods they shall not come nigh him.

8. Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble: thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

9. I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go: and I will guide thee with mine eye.

10. Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding: whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

11. Great plagues remain for the ungodly: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

12. Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord: and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 7.

Psalm 36.

MY heart showeth me the wickedness of the ungodly: that there is no fear of God before his eyes.

2. For he flattereth himself in his own sight: until his abominable sin be found out.

3. The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit: he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.

4. He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way: neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.

5. Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens: and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

6. Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains: thy judgments are like the great deep.

7. Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast: How excellent is thy mercy, O God: and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8. They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house: and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.

9. For with thee is the well of life: and in thy light shall we see light.

10. O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee: and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

11. O let not the foot of pride come against me: and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.

12. There are they fallen, all that work wickedness; they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 37, *from v.* 27 *to the end.*

27. Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good: and dwell for evermore.

28. For the Lord loveth the thing that is right: he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.

29. The unrighteous shall be punished: as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.

30. The righteous shall inherit the land: and dwell therein for ever.

31. The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom: and his tongue will be talking of judgment.

32. The law of his God is in his heart: and his goings shall not slide.

33. The ungodly seeth the righteous: and seeketh occasion to slay him.

34. The Lord will not leave him in his hand: nor condemn him when he is judged.

35. Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land: when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.

36. I myself have seen the ungodly in great power: and flourishing like a green bay-tree.

37. I went by, and lo, he was gone: I sought him, but his place could no where be found.

38. Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right: for that shall bring a man peace at the last.

39. As for the transgressors, they shall perish together: and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

40. But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord: who is also their strength in the time of trouble.

41. And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them: he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 8.

Psalm 39.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways: that I offend not in my tongue;

2. I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle: while the ungodly is in my sight.

3. I held my tongue, and spake nothing: I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

4. My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled: and at the last I spake with my tongue;

5. Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days: that I may be certified how long I have to live.

6. Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long: and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

7. For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain: he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

8. And now, Lord, what is my hope: truly my hope is even in thee.

9. Deliver me from all mine offences: and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

10. I became dumb, and opened not my mouth: for it was thy doing.

11. Take thy plague away from me: I am even consumed by the means of thy heavy hand.

12. When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment: every man therefore is but vanity.

13. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and w h thine ears consider my calling: hold not thy peace at my tears.

14. For I am a stranger with thee: and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

15. O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength: before I go hence, and be no more seen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 42.

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

2. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

3. My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

4. Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself: for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

5. In the voice of praise and thanksgiving: among such as keep holy-day.

6. Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

7. Put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.

8. My God, my soul is vexed within me: therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

9. One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes: all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

10. The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time: and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

11. I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me: why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

12. My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword: while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;

13. Namely, while they say daily unto me: Where is now thy God?

14. Why art thou so vexed, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

15. O put thy trust in God: for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 9.

Psalm 46.

GOD is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble.

2. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved: and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.

3. Though the waters thereof rage and swell: and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

4. The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.

5. God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed: God shall help her, and that right early.

6. The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved: but God hath showed his voice and the earth shall melt away.

7. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

8. O come hither and behold the works of the Lord: what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9. He maketh wars to cease in all the world: he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

10. Be still then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 48.

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

2. The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth: upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.

3. For lo, the kings of the earth: are gathered, and gone by together.

4. They marvelled to see such things: they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.

5. Fear came there upon them, and sorrow: as upon a woman in her travail.

6. Thou shalt break the ships of the sea: through the east-wind.

7. Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God upholdeth the same for ever.

8. We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of thy temple.

9. O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

10. Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad: because of thy judgments.

11. Walk about Sion, and go round about her: and tell the towers thereof.

12. Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses: that ye may tell them that come after.

13. For this God is our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto death.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 10.

Psalm 51.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

2. Wash me throughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

3. For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

4. Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

5. Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6. But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7. Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8. Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9. Turn thy face from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds.

10. Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

11. Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12. O give me the comfort of thy help again: and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

13. Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health: and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15. Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall show thy praise.

16. For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee: but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

17. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18. O be favourable and gracious unto Sion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19. Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 54.

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake: and avenge me in thy strength.

2. Hear my prayer, O God: and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3. For strangers are risen up against me: and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4. Behold, God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

5. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: destroy thou them in thy truth.

6. An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord: because it is so comfortable.

7. For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 11.

Psalm 56.

BE merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me: he is daily fighting and troubling me.

2. Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me, O thou most Highest.

3. Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid: yet put I my trust in thee.

4. I will praise God, because of his word: I have put my trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

5. They daily mistake my words: all that they imagine is to do me evil.

6. They hold all together, and keep themselves close: and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.

7. Shall they escape for their wickedness: thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.

8. Thou tellest my flittings; put my tears into thy bottle: are not these things noted in thy book?

9. Whensoever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight: this I know; for God is on my side.

10. In God's word will I rejoice; in the Lord's word will I comfort me.

11. Yea, in God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

12. Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows! unto thee will I give thanks.

13. For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling: that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 61.

HEAR my crying, O God: give ear unto my prayer.

2. From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee: when my heart is in heaviness.

3. O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I: for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

4. I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever: and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.

5. For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires: and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.

6. Thou shalt grant the King a long life: that his years may endure throughout all generations.

7. He shall dwell before God for ever: O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.

8. So will I alway sing praise unto thy Name: that I may daily perform my vows.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 12.

Psalm 63.

O GOD, thou art my God: early will I seek thee.

2. My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee: in a barren and dry land where no water is.

3. Thus have I looked for thee in holiness: that I might behold thy power and glory.

4. For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.

5. As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner: and lift up my hands in thy Name.

6. My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness: when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

7. Have I not remembered thee in my bed: and thought upon thee when I was waking?

8. Because thou hast been my helper: therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

9. My soul hangeth upon thee: thy right hand hath upholden me.

10. These also that seek the hurt of my soul: they shall go under the earth.

11. Let them fall upon the edge of the sword: that they may be a portion for foxes.

12. But the King shall rejoice in God; all they also that swear by him shall be commended: for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 67.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;

2. That thy way may be known upon earth; thy saving health among all nations.

3. Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.

4. O let the nations rejoice and be glad: for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

5. Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

6. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

7. God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 13.

Psalm 68, *to v.* 11.

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.

2. Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away; and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

3. But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God: let them also be merry and joyful.

4. O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name: magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5. He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows: even God in his holy habitation.

6. He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity: but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.

7. O God, when thou wentest forth before the people: when thou wentest through the wilderness,

8. The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God: even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.

9. Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance: and refreshedst it when it was weary.

10. Thy congregation shall dwell therein: for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 69, from v. 30 to the end.

As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness: thy help, O God, shall lift me up;

31. I will praise the Name of God with a song: and magnify it with thanksgiving.

32. This also shall please the Lord: better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

33. The humble shall consider this, and be glad: seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.

34. For the Lord heareth the poor: and despiseth not his prisoners.

35. Let heaven and earth praise him: the sea, and all that moveth therein.

36. For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah: that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.

37. The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 14.

Psalm 71, from v. 10 to the end.

Go not far from me, O God: my God, haste thee to help me.

11. Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul: let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12. As for me, I will patiently abide alway: and will praise thee more and more.

13. My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation: for I know no end thereof.

14. I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God: and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15. Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now; therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16. Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am grey-headed: until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17. Thy righteousness, O God, is very high: and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee?

18. O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me: yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

19. Thou hast brought me to great honour: and comforted me on every side.

20. Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of musick: unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

21. My lips will be fain when I sing unto thee: and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.

22. My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded and brought unto shame that seek to do me evil.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 73, from v. 13 to the end.

ALL the day long have I been punished: and chastened every morning.

14. Yea, and I had almost said even as they: but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

15. Then thought I to understand this: but it was too hard for me.

16. Until I went into the sanctuary of God: then understood I the end of these men;

17. Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places: and castest them down, and destroyest them.

18. Oh, how suddenly do they consume: perish, and come to a fearful end!

19. Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh: so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.

20. Thus my heart was grieved: and it went even through my reins.

21. So foolish was I, and ignorant: even as it were a beast before thee.

22. Nevertheless I am alway by thee: for thou hast holden me by my right hand.

23. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel: and after that receive me with glory.

24. Whom have I in heaven but thee: and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

25. My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

26. For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.

27. But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God: and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 15.

Psalm 75.

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks: yea, unto thee do we give thanks.

2. Thy Name also is so nigh: and that do thy wondrous works declare.

3. When I receive the congregation: I shall judge according unto right.

4. The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof: I bear up the pillars of it.

5. I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly: and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.

6. Set not up your horn on high: and speak not with a stiff neck.

7. For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west: nor yet from the south.

8. And why? God is the Judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

9. For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red: it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

10. As for the dregs thereof: all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.

11. But I will talk of the God of Jacob: and praise him for ever.

12. All the horns of the ungodly also will I break: and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 78, *to v.* 13.

HEAR my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

2. I will open my mouth in a parable: I will declare hard sentences of old;

3. Which we have heard and known: and such as our fathers have told us;

4. That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come: but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

5. He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law: which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

6. That their posterity might know it: and the children which were yet unborn;

7. To the intent that when they came up: they might shew their children the same;

8. That they might put their trust in God: and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;

9. And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation: a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;

10. Like as the children of Ephraim: who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.

11. They kept not the covenant of God: and would not walk in his law;

12. But forgat what he had done: and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 16.

Psalm 79.

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance: thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

2. The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air: and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

3. Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem: and there was no man to bury them.

4. We are become an open shame to our enemies: a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

5. Lord, how long wilt thou be angry: shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

6. Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee: and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

7. For they have devoured Jacob: and laid waste his dwelling-place.

8. O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon: for we are come to great misery.

9. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name: O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

10. Wherefore do the heathen say: Where is now their God?

11. O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed: be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.

12. O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee: according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.

13. And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee: reward thou them, O Lord, seven-fold into their bosom.

14. So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever: and will alway be showing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 84.

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

2. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

3. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her

young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

4. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be alway praising thee.

5. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.

6. Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water.

7. They will go from strength to strength: and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

8. O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.

9. Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

10. For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.

11. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

12. For the Lord God is a light and defence: the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

13. O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 17.

Psalm 87.

HER foundations are upon the holy hills: the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

2. Very excellent things are spoken of thee: thou city of God.

3. I will think upon Rahab and Babylon: with them that know me.

4. Behold ye the Philistines also: and they of Tyre, with the Morians; lo, there was he born.

5. And of Sion it shall be reported that he was born in her: and the most High shall stablish her.

6. The Lord shall rehearse it when he writeth up the people: that he was born there.

7. The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse: all my fresh springs shall be in thee.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 89, *to v.* 20.

My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord: with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one generation to another.

2. For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever: thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

3. I have made a covenant with my chosen: I have sworn unto David my servant;

4. Thy seed will I stablish for ever: and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

5. O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works: and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

6. For who is he among the clouds: that shall be compared unto the Lord?

7. And what is he among the gods: that shall be like unto the Lord?

8. God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints: and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

9. O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee: thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

10. Thou rulest the raging of the sea: thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

11. Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it: thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

12. The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

13. Thou hast made the north and the south: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

14. Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

15. Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

16. Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee: they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

17. Their delight shall be daily in thy Name: and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

18. For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

19. For the Lord is our defence: the Holy One of Israel is our King.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 18.

Psalm 92.

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto thy name, O most Highest.

2. To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of thy truth in the night season;

3. Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute: upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

4. For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works: and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

5. O Lord, how glorious are thy works: thy thoughts are very deep.

6. An unwise man doth not well consider this: and a fool doth not understand it.

7. When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish: then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, Lord, art the most Highest for evermore.

8. For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish: and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

9. But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn: for I am anointed with fresh oil.

10. Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies: and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.

11. The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree: and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

12. Such as are planted in the house of the Lord: shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

13. They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age: and shall be fat and well-liking.

14. That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is: and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 93.

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel and girded himself with strength.

2. He hath made the round world so sure: that it cannot be moved.

3. Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared: thou art from everlasting.

4. The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice: the floods lift up their waves.

5. The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly: but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

6. Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure: holiness becometh thine house for ever.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 19.

Psalm 95.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

2. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and shew ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

3. For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

4. In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

5. The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

6. O come, let us worship, and fall down: and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

7. For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

8. To-day, if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts: as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

9. When your fathers tempted me: proved me, and saw my works.

10. Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said: It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways;

11. Unto whom I sware in my wrath: that they should not enter into my rest.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 98.

O SING unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.

2. With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.

3. The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

5. Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

6. Praise the Lord upon the harp: sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

7. With trumpets also, and shawms: O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

8. Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is: the round world, and they that dwell therein.

9. Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

10. With righteousness shall he judge the world: and the people with equity.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 20.

Psalm 103.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me praise his holy Name.

2. Praise the Lord, O my soul: and forget not all his benefits;

3. Who forgiveth all thy sin: and healeth all thine infirmities;

4. Who saveth thy life from destruction: and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;

5. Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things: making thee young and lusty as an eagle.

6. The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment: for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7. He shewed his ways unto Moses: his works unto the children of Israel.

8. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9. He will not alway be chiding: neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10. He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11. For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth: so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12. Look how wide also the east is from the west: so far hath he set our sins from us.

13. Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children: even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

14. For he knoweth whereof we are made: he remembereth that we are but dust.

15. The days of man are but as grass: for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16. For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone: and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17. But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him: and his righteousness upon children's children;

18. Even upon such as keep his covenant: and think upon his commandments to do them.

19. The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven: and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20. O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength: ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

21. O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts: ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22. O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion: praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 104, *to v.* 16.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious: thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

2. Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment: and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

3. Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

4. He maketh his angels spirits: and his ministers a flaming fire.

5. He laid the foundations of the earth: that it never should move at any time.

6. Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment: the waters stand in the hills.

7. At thy rebuke they flee: at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.

8. They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath: even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

9. Thou hast set them their bonnds which they shall not pass: neither turn again to cover the earth.

10. He sendeth the springs into the rivers: which run among the hills.

11. All beasts of the field drink thereof: and the wild asses quench their thirst.

12. Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation: and sing among the branches.

13. He watereth the hills from above: the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

14. He bringeth forth grass for the cattle: and green herb for the service of men;

15. That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man: and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 21.

Psalm 105, *to v.* 11.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done.

2. O let your songs be of him, and praise him: and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

3. Rejoice in his holy Name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

4. Seek the Lord and his strength: seek his face evermore.

5. Remember the marvellous works that he hath done: his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth.

6. O ye seed of Abraham his servant: ye children of Jacob his chosen.

7. He is the Lord our God: his judgments are in all the world.

8. He hath been alway mindful of his covenant and promise that he made to a thousand generations;

9. Even the covenant that he made with Abraham: and the oath that he sware unto Isaac;

10. And appointed the same unto Jacob for a law: and to Israel for an everlasting testament.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 106, *to v.* 12.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

2. Who can express the noble acts of the Lord: or shew forth all his praise?

3. Blessed are they that alway keep judgment: and do righteousness.

4. Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O visit me with thy salvation!

5. That I may see the felicity of thy chosen: and rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and give thanks with thine inheritance.

6. We have sinned with our fathers: we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

7. Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt, neither kept they thy great goodness in remembrance: but were disobedient at the sea, even at the Red sea.

8. Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake: that he might make his power to be known.

9. He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the deep, as through a wilderness.

10. And he saved them from the adversary's hand: and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.

11. As for those that troubled them, the waters overwhelmed them: there was not one of them left.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 22.

Psalm 107, *to v.* 16.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

2. Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed: and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

3. And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west: from the north, and from the south.

4. They went astray in the wilderness out of the way: and found no city to dwell in;

5. Hungry and thirsty: their soul fainted in them.

6. So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble: and he delivered them from their distress.

7. He led them forth by the right way: that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

8. O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

9. For he satisfieth the empty soul: and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10. Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: being fast bound in misery and iron;

11. Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord: and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;

12. He also brought down their heart through heaviness: they fell down, and there was none to help them.

13. So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivered them out of their distress.

14. For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death: and brake their bonds in sunder.

15. O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 108.

O God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready: I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

2. Awake, thou lute and harp: I myself will awake right early.

3. I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4. For thy mercy is greater than the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

5. Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.

6. That thy beloved may be delivered: let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

7. God hath spoken in his holiness: I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8. Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine: Ephraim also is the strength of my head.

9. Judah is my law-giver; Moab is my washpot: over Edom will I cast out my shoe; upon Philistia will I triumph.

10. Who will lead me into the strong city: and who will bring me into Edom?

11. Hast not thou forsaken us, O God: and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12. O help us against the enemy: for vain is the help of man.

13. Through God we shall do great acts: and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 23.

Psalm 111.

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2. The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3. His work is worthy to be praised, and had in honour: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4. The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works; that they ought to be had in remembrance.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

6. He hath shewed his people the power of his works: that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7. The works of his hands are verity and judgment: all his commandments are true.

8. They stand fast for ever and ever: and are done in truth and equity.

9. He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.

10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 115.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise: for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

2. Wherefore shall the heathen say: Where is now their God?

3. As for our God, he is in heaven: he hath done whatsoever pleased him.

4. Their idols are silver and gold: even the work of men's hands.

5. They have mouths, and speak not: eyes have they, and see not.

6. They have ears, and hear not: noses have they, and smell not.

7. They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

8. They that make them are like unto them: and so are all such as put their trust in them.

9. But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord: he is their succour and defence.

10. Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender.

11. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender.

12. The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us: even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.

13. He shall bless them that fear the Lord: both small and great.

14. The Lord shall increase you more and more: you and your children.

15. Ye are the blessed of the Lord: who made heaven and earth.

16. All the whole heavens are the Lord's: the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17. The dead praise not thee, O Lord: neither all they that go down into silence.

18. But we will praise the Lord: from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER.—Day 24.

Psalm 116.

I AM well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

2. That he hath inclined his ear unto me: therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3. The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

4. I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5. Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful.

6. The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.

7. Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

8. And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death: mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

9. I will walk before the Lord: in the land of the living.

10. I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11. What reward shall I give unto the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12. I will receive the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13. I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14. Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant: I am thy servant, and the son of thine hand-maid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15. I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16. I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people: in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 119, 1 *to v.* 17.

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.

2. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.

3. For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.

4. Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

5. O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!

6. So shall I not be confounded: while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7. I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart: when I shall have learned the judgments of thy righteousness.

8. I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.

9. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way: even by ruling himself after thy word.

10. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.

11. Thy words have I hid within my heart; that I should not sin against thee.

12. Blessed art thou, O Lord: O teach me thy statutes.

13. With my lips have I been telling: of all the judgments of thy mouth.

14. I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies: as in all manner of riches.

15. I will talk of thy commandments: and have respect unto thy ways.

16. My delight shall be in thy statutes: and I will not forget thy word.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 25.

Psalm 119, *v.* 49 *to* 65.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word: wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

50. The same is my comfort in my trouble: for thy word hath quickened me.

51. The proud have had me exceedingly in derision: yet have I not shrinked from thy law.

52. For I remembered thine everlasting judgments, O Lord: and received comfort.

53. I am horribly afraid: for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

54. Thy statutes have been my songs: in the house of my pilgrimage.

55. I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season: and have kept thy law.

56. This I had: because I kept thy commandments.

57. Thou art my portion, O Lord: I have promised to keep thy law.

58. I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart: O be merciful unto me, according to thy word.

59. I called mine own ways to remembrance: and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

60. I made haste, and prolonged not the time: to keep thy commandments.

61. The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me: but I have not forgotten thy law.

62. At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee: because of thy righteous judgments.

63. I am a companion of all them that fear thee: and keep thy commandments.

64. The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy; O teach me thy statutes.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 119, *v.* 73 *to* 81.

THY hands have made me and fashioned me: O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74. They that fear thee will be glad when they see me: because I have put my trust in thy word.

75. I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right: and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

76. O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort: according to thy word unto thy servant.

77. O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.

78. Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me: but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

79. Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies: be turned unto me.

80. O let my heart be sound in thy statutes: that I be not ashamed.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 26.

Psalm 119, *v.* 129 *to* 145.

THY testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

130. When thy word goeth forth: it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

131. I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath: for my delight was in thy commandments.

132. O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me: as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133. Order my steps in thy word: and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

134. O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men: and so shall I keep thy commandments.

135. Show the light of thy countenance upon thy servant: and teach me thy statutes.

136. Mine eyes gush out with water: because men keep not thy law.

137. Righteous art thou, O Lord: and true is thy judgment.

138. The testimonies that thou hast commanded: are exceeding righteous and true.

139. My zeal hath even consumed me: because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140. Thy word is tried to the uttermost: and thy servant loveth it.

141. I am small, and of no reputation: yet do I not forget thy commandments.

142. Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness: and thy law is the truth.

143. Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me: yet is my delight in thy commandments.

144. The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 119, *v.* 145 *to* 153.

I CALL with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

146. Yea, even unto thee do I call: help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

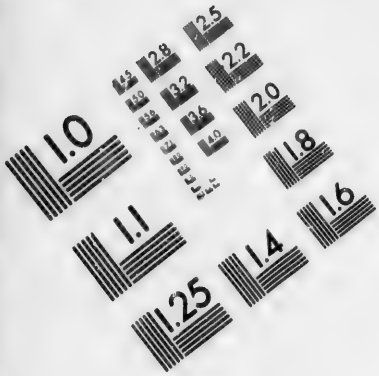
147. Early in the morning do I cry unto thee: for in thy word is my trust.

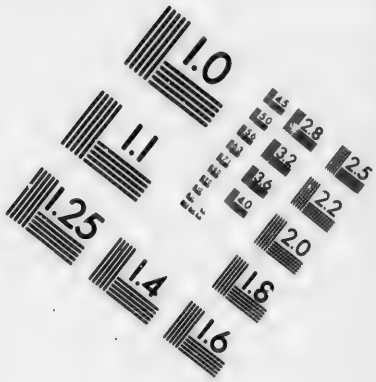
148. Mine eyes prevent the night-watches: that I might be occupied in thy words.

149. Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness: quicken me, according as thou art wont.

150. They draw nigh that of malice persecute me: and are far from thy law.

151. Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord: for all thy commandments are true.





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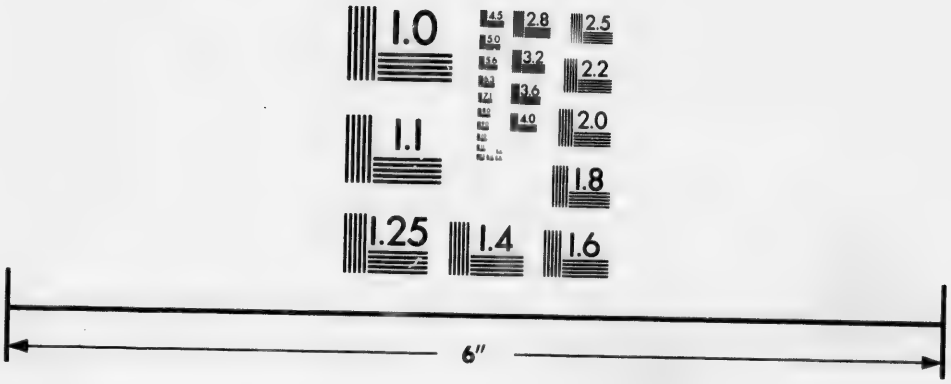

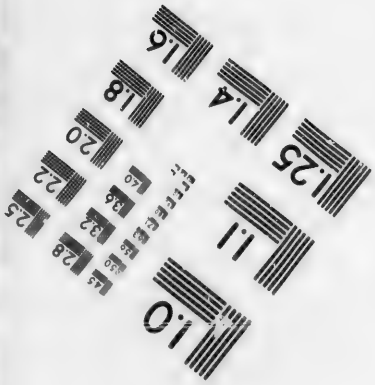

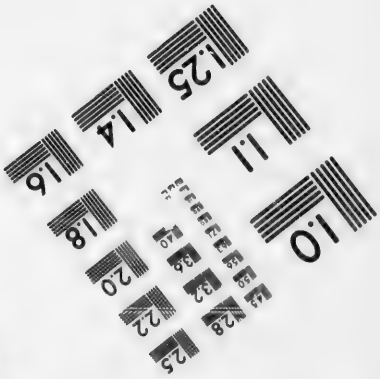

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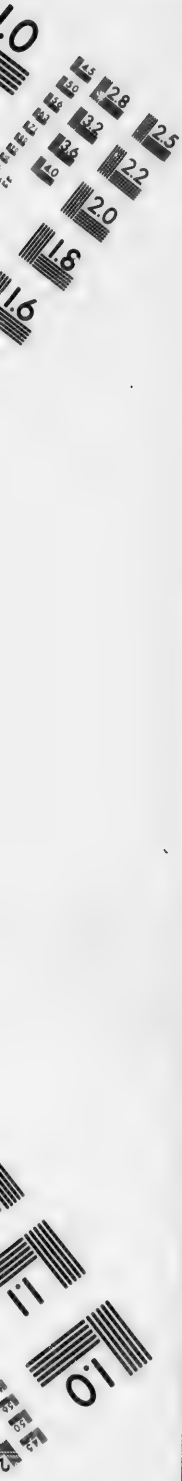
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152. As concerning thy testimonies I have known long since: that thou hast grounded them for ever.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 27.

Psalm 122.

I WAS glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord.

2. Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem.

3. Jerusalem is built as a city: that is at unity in itself.

4. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord: to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

5. For there is the seat of judgment: even the seat of the house of David.

6. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

7. Peace be within thy walls; and plenteousness within thy palaces.

8. For my brethren and companions' sakes: I will wish thee prosperity.

9. Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God: I will seek to do thee good.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 127.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.

2. Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.

3. It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

4. Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

5. Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.

6. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 28.

Psalm 132.

LORD, remember David: and all his trouble;

2. How he sware unto the Lord: and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;

3. I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house: nor climb up into my bed;

4. I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber: neither the temples of my head to take any rest;

5. Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord: an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

6. Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata: and found it in the wood.

7. We will go into his tabernacle: and fall low on our knees before his foot-stool.

8. Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place: thou, and the ark of thy strength.

9. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness: and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

10. For thy servant David's sake: turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.

11. The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David: and he shall not shrink from it;

12. Of the fruit of thy body: shall I set upon thy seat.

13. If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them: their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.

14. For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself: he hath longed for her.

15. This shall be my rest for ever: here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

16. I will bless her victuals with increase: and will satisfy her poor with bread.

17. I will deck her priests with health: and her saints shall rejoice and sing.

18. There shall I make the horn of David to flourish: I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.

19. As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 137.

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept: when we remembered thee, O Sion.

2. As for our harps, we hanged them up: upon the trees that are therein.

3. For they that led us away captive required of us then a song, and melody, in our heaviness: Sing us one of the songs of Sion.

4. How shall we sing the Lord's song: in a strange land?

5. If I forget thee, O Jerusalem: let my right hand forget her cunning.

6. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth: yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth.

7. Remember the children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Jerusalem: how they said, Down with it, down with it, even to the ground.

8. O daughter of Babylon, wasted with misery: yea, happy shall he be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us.

9. Blessed shall he be that taketh thy children: and throweth them against the stones.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 29.

Psalm 140.

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man: and preserve me from the wicked man.

2. Who imagine mischief in their hearts; and stir up strife all the day long.

3. They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adder's poison is under their lips.

4. Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly: preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.

5. The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords: yea, and set traps in my way.

6. I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.

7. O Lord God, thou strength of my health: thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

8. Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord: let not his mischievous imaginations prosper, lest they be too proud.

9. Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them: that compass me about.

10. Let hot burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire, and into the pit, that they never rise up again.

11. A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth: evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.

12. Sure I am that the Lord will avenge the poor: and maintain the cause of the helpless.

12. The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name: and the just shall continue in thy sight.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 143.

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire: hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

2. And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul: he hath smitten my life down to the ground: he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

4. Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.

5. Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works: yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

6. I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

7. Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

8. O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust: show thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9. Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: for I flee unto thee to hide me.

10. Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God: let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

11. Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake: and for thy righteoasness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

12. And of thy goodness slay mine enemies: and destroy all them that vex my soul: for I am thy servant.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 30.

Psalm 144.

BLESSED be the Lord my strength: who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight;

2. My hope and my fortress, my castle and deliverer, my defender in whom I trust: who subdueth my people that is under me.

3. Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him: or the son of man, that thou so regardest him?

4. Man is like a thing of nought: his time passeth away like a shadow.

5. Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6. Cast forth thy lightning, and tear them: shoot out thine arrows, and consume them.

7. Send down thine hand from above: deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children;

8. Whose mouth talketh of vanity: and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.

9. I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: and sing praises unto thee upon a ten-stringed lute.

10. Thou hast given victory unto kings: and hast delivered David thy servant from the peril of the sword.

11. Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children: whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.

12. That our sons may grow up as the young plants: and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.

13. That our garners may be full and plenteous with all manner of store: that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets.

14. That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay: no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.

15. Happy are the people that are in such a case: yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 146.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

2. O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man: for there is no help in them.

3. For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth: and then all his thoughts perish.

4. Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help: and whose hope is in the Lord his God;

5. Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: who keepeth his promise for ever;

6. Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong: who feedeth the hungry.

7. The Lord looseth men out of prison: the Lord giveth sight to the blind.

8. The Lord helpeth them that are fallen: the Lord careth for the righteous.

9. The Lord careth for the stranger; he defendeth the fatherless and widow: as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.

10. The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore: and throughout all generations.

MORNING PRAYER.—DAY 31.

Psalm 148.

O PRAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height.

2. Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him all his host.

3. Praise him, sun and moon: praise him all ye stars and light.

4. Praise him, all ye heavens: and ye waters that are above the heavens.

5. Let them praise the name of the Lord: for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

6. He hath made them fast for ever and ever: he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

7. Praise the Lord upon earth: ye dragons, and all deeps;

8. Fire and hail, snow and vapours: wind and storm, fulfilling his word;

9. Mountains and all hills: fruitful trees and all cedars;

10. Beasts and all cattle: worms and feathered fowls;

11. Kings of the earth and all people: princes and all judges of the world;

12. Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord: for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

13. He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him; even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm 149.

O SING unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of saints praise him.

2. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

3. Let them praise his Name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

4. For the Lord hath pleasure in his people: and helpeth the meek-hearted.

5. Let the saints be joyful with glory: let them rejoice in their beds.

6. Let the praises of God be in their mouth: and a two-edged sword in their hands;

7. To be avenged of the heathen: and to rebuke the people;

8. To bind their kings in chains: and their nobles with links of iron.

9. That they may be avenged of them, as it is written: Such honour have all his saints.

Psalm 150.

O PRAISE God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.

2. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.

4. Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.

5. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.

6. Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

SUPPLEMENTAL.

PRAYERS TO BE USED ON PARTICULAR OCCASIONS.

When any adult member of the Family is sick.

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve thy servant [or servants] in this family, whom thou hast been pleased to afflict with sickness. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* from the danger of the enemy, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR us, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to thy servant [or servants] in this family who *is* grieved with sickness. Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him;* that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance; That, if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his* former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else, give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

When a child in the Family is sick.

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, with

the eyes of mercy upon the child, [or children], now lying upon the bed of sickness in this house: Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: That, if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For a sick person, when there appeareth small hope of recovery.

O Father of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there is no word impossible with thee; and that, if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a

longer continuance amongst us: Yet, so fit and prepare *him*, we beseech thee, against the hour of death, that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *his* soul may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

For Rain.

O God, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all them that seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance; Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O Almighty Lord God, who for the sin of man didst once drown all the world, except eight persons, and afterward of thy great mercy didst promise never to destroy it so again; We humbly beseech thee, that although we for our iniquities have worthily deserved a plague of rain and waters, yet upon our true repentance thou wilt send us such weather, as that we may receive the fruits of the earth in due season; and learn both by thy punishment to amend our lives, and for thy clemency to give thee praise and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of Dearth and Famine.

O God, heavenly Father, whose gift it is, that the rain doth fall, the earth is fruitful, beasts increase, and fishes do multiply; Behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people; and grant that the scarcity and dearth, which we do now most justly suffer for our iniquity, may through thy goodness be mercifully turned into cheapness and plenty; for the love of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

In the time of War and Tumults.

O Almighty God, King of all kings, and Governour of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; abate their pride, asswage their malice, and confound their devices; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of any Common Plague or Sickness.

O Almighty God, who in thy wrath didst send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and also, in the time of king David, didst slay with the plague of Pestilence threescore and ten thousand, and yet remembering thy mercy didst save the rest; Have pity upon us miserable sinners, who

now are visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as thou didst then accept of an atonement, and didst command the destroying Angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

To be said during the week preceding an Ordination.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern the minds of thy servants the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the sacred Ministry of thy Church. And to those which shall be ordained to any holy function give thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

On the day of Ordination.

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church; Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVINGS ON PARTICULAR OCCASIONS.

For Rain.

O God, our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man; We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee, in our great necessity, to send us at the last a joyful rain upon thine inheritance, and to refresh it when it was dry, to the great comfort of us thy unworthy servants, and to the glory of thy holy Name; through thy mercies in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O Lord God, who hast justly humbled us by thy late plague of immoderate rain and waters, and in thy mercy hast relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather; We praise and glorify thy holy Name for this thy mercy, and will always declare thy loving-kindness from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Plenty.

O most merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and turned our dearth and scarcity into cheapness and plenty; We give thee humble thanks for this thy special bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness unto us, that our land may yield us her fruits of increase, to thy glory and our comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Peace and Deliverance from our Enemies.

O Almighty God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed; We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Restoring Public Peace at Home.

O Eternal God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and stillest the outrage of a violent and unruly people; We bless thy holy Name, that it hath pleased thee to appease the seditious tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us; most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and, leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Deliverance from the Plague, or other Common Sickness.

We humbly acknowledge before thee, O most merciful Father, that all the punishments which are threatened in thy law might justly have fallen upon us, by reason of our manifold transgressions and

hardness of heart: Yet seeing it hath pleased thee of thy tender mercy, upon our weak and unworthy humiliation, to asswage the contagious sickness wherewith we lately have been sore afflicted, and to restore the voice of joy and health into our dwellings; We offer unto thy Divine Majesty the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, lauding and magnifying thy glorious Name for such thy preservation and providence over us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

NOTE.—*When thanksgiving is to be offered for any special mercy vouchsafed, as Recovery from Sickness, Safe Return from a perilous Voyage or Journey, &c., it may be introduced into the General Thanksgiving, as directed in the margin:* "particularly to him [or her] who desires now," &c.

N.B.—The foregoing Manual of Prayers may be adopted in SUNDAY SCHOOLS,—the Lesson from the Scriptures being omitted, if the scholars have the means of attending Church, and the following being added after the Collect for the Day:—

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in these children, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in them. *Amen.*

Grant that they may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*